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SUBJECT: CHILEAN SOCIALIST PARTY REJECTS ALLIANCE
WITH CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS

1. ACCORDING TO LOCAL, POLITICALLY MODERATE, BULLETIN INFORMATION LATINE, THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE CHILEAN SOCIALIST PARTY (PSCH) ANNOUNCED IN PARIS ON APRIL 21 THAT IT HAD REJECTED ANY UNDERSTANDING WITH THE CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY (PDC) IN ITS STRUGGLE AGAINST THE CHILEAN MILITARY JUNTA. PSCH STATEMENT ATTACKS GROUP WITHIN PSCH WHICH HAS MAINTAINED CONTACT WITH PDC. STATEMENT INCLUDES FOLLOWING: "AS LONG AS THE PDC IS CONTROLLED BY SECTORS DEFENDING CAPITALIST INTERESTS. WE BELIEVE THEIR SYSTEM WOULD REPLACE THE MILITARY REGIME BY AN ANTI-PEOPLES REGIME AS IN URUGUAY." STATEMENT ATTACKS FREI AS WELL.
2. BULLETIN ARTICLE THEN ATTRIBUTES INFORMATION FROM LATIN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY IN PARIS THAT PDC GAINING STRENGTH AMONG CHILEANS FOLLOWING PUBLICATION FREI'S BOOK ATTACKING THE JUNTA. SOCIAL DEMOCRATS, RADICALS AND NON-VIOLENT LEFT, REPORTEDLY TURNING TO PDC WHILE PSCH, PCCH AND MIR ARE INCREASINGLY UNCLASSIFIED

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MARGINALIZED BY THEIR HARD MARXIST LINE.

3. CHILEAN AMBASSADOR ERRAZURIZ TOLD EMBOFF APRIL
22 THAT PSCH LEADER CARLOS ALTAMIRANO WAS SEEN FEW
DAYS PREVIOUSLY IN PARIS DINING IN FINE RESTAURANT
WITH FIVE OTHER CHILEANS. THUS APPEARS LIKELY
PSCH CENTRAL COMMITTEE DID MEET RECENTLY IN PARIS.
ALTAMIRANO NOW RESIDING EAST BERLIN BUT TRAVELS
FREQUENTLY TO LONDON WHERE HE HAS FAMILY.
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